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AVERYSBORO, N.C.

Early in 1865 Sherman left Savannah and the Adjutant Genl in Charge of General FOSTER and started north to join Grant near Richmond.

At Averysboro, N.C., Sherman's advance division led by SLOCUM was met by HARDEE, who wished to keep him engaged until reinforcements arrived. The fighting took place during a hard

storm, and resulted in the Confederates  
being driven to SMITHFIELD with a  
loss of 865 men. The Federals lost  
678 men.